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NOTE XLVII.

ON THE GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION OF SOME LITTLE-KNOWN AFRICAN SPECIES OF NIGIDIUS.

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1. Nigidius amplicollis Qued. (Berl. Ent. Zeitschr. XXVIII (1884) p. 266), first recorded from the Quango (v. Mechow) proves to be a widely distributed species. I have specimens from the Upper Zambesi and from the N'Guru mountains (Zanzibar).

2. Nigidius laevigatus Har. (Mittheil. d. Münch. Ent. Ver. II (1878) p. 100 & Coleopt. Hefte XVI (1879) p. 31) 1), originally described from a specimen captured by Dr. Pogge in the interior of tropical Africa (Lunda-land), then recorded by Quedenfeldt from the Quango, extends its range also towards the East-Coast, my specimen being from Lake Nyassa.

3. Nigidius dentifer Alb. (Deutsch. Ent. Zeitschr. XXVIII (1884) p. 16), has been described from Central-Africa, without indication of its more peculiar habitat. A specimen in my cabinet was taken at Old Calabar.

¹⁾ Von Harold provisionally published short latin diagnoses and afterwards in the "Coleopterologische Hefte" full descriptions. One of both citations, I found generally overlooked. Quedenfeldt only quotes the description of N. laevigatus Har. with a wrong page.